



State of California  
The Natural Resources Agency  
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	Porterville Forest Fire Station - Replace Water Line		
<b>PROJECT LOCATION</b>	CAL FIRE's Porterville Forest Fire Station 26488 Avenue 140, Porterville, CA 93257 Township 22S; Range 28E; Section 5 MDBM	<b>COUNTY</b>	Tulare
<b>LEAD AGENCY</b>	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project involves the replacement of a failing steel water line and replacing it with a PVC pipe. A two (2) foot trench will be cut along the existing pipe location. The new pipe will be installed and the trench will be compacted at capped as needed. The entire area to be disturbed is within an existing fire station facility and would be placed across paved and landscaped area. No undeveloped natural area exists at the project location.

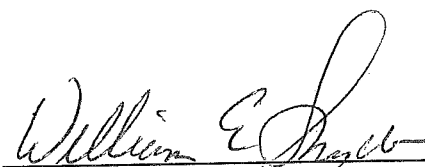
### EXEMPTION STATUS

- ☒ Categorical Exemption    Type/Section: Class 1 and 4    14 CCR §15301 (b) - Existing Facilities  
14 CCR §15304 - Minor Alterations to Land
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (state code section):  
☐ Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)  
☐ Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))  
☐ Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

### REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

This project fits within the definitions described for Class 1 and Class 4 Categorical Exemptions to CEQA pertaining to maintenance and repair of existing public facilities and minor alterations to land. The project will affect landscaped lawn, concrete and pavement. The project area does not provide high quality wildlife habitat. Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland/timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation/traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE's Tulare Unit Headquarters located at 1968 South Lovers Lane in Visalia CA.

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